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SUBJECT: COM CONFERENCES ADDIS ABABA AND MONROVIA,
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PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR MOORE FROM NEWSOM

1. I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD AT YOUR
RESPECTIVE CONFERENCE UNDERTAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
CHAIRING PANEL FOUR ON QUOTE: US POSTURE TOWARD AFRICA'S
RELATIONS WITH EUROPE ENDQUOTE.

2. WHILE YOUR PRESENT POST, I THINK, PLACES YOU IN A
PARTICULARLY PERTINENT POSITION TO OBSERVE THIS IMPORTANT
ISSUE FOR US POLICY, I HOPE YOU WILL ALSO FEEL FREE TO DRAW
ON YOUR THOUGHTS AND EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE IN ORDER TO PUT
THIS TOPIC IN WIDEST PERSPECTIVE AND STIMULATE LIVELY
DISCUSSION.

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3. I ENVISAGE DEVOTING APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR TO THIS ISSUE, BEGINNING WITH A 10-12 MINUTE LEAD PRESENTATION BY YOU, FOLLOWED BY 5 MINUTE COMMENTS BY OTHER PANEL MEMBERS, BEFORE OPENING THE FLOOR TO GENERAL DISCUSSION.

4. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK AMBASSADOR YOST AND MR. VAN OSS TO ASSIST YOU IN CONDUCTING THIS PANEL. MR. HOLMES IS INVITED TO SERVE AS RAPPORTEUR AS WELL AS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISCUSSION.

5. I SUGGEST THAT THE CHAIRMAN IN EACH INSTANCE COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH THE OTHER DESIGNATED MEMBERS OF HIS PANEL REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS DISCUSSION. IF ANY OF US IN AF CAN HELP, DON'T HESITATE TO LET US KNOW.

FOR LOURENCO MARQUES: IN ADDITION PARTICIPATING AS MEMBER PANEL IV, WOULD ALSO BE GRATEFUL IF VAN OSS WOULD HELP OUT BY SERVING AS RAPPORTEUR PANEL III.

NOTE: FOREGOING DISCUSSED WITH MR. VAN OSS IN DEPT.

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